

REMARKS

In the office action that was mailed January 28, 2008, the Examiner rejected claims 1-20 under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as being unpatentable over Raith (WO 98/48577) in view of U.S. patent 6,625,457 to Raith (hereafter Raith '457).

In response to the rejections, claims 1, 15 and 20 have been amended as set forth above to distinguish the invention of the present application over the cited references, whether those references are considered alone, or in combination with each other. The limitations of claims 4, 5 and 16 have been added to each of the independent claims. Claims 4, 5 and 16 have therefore been cancelled, albeit without prejudice.

Amended claims 1, 15 and 20 now recite that the communications between the network and mobile node are pursuant to the GSM/3GPP operating specification. The amended claims also recite that area-dependent short dialing codes and both "additional indicia and mnemonics" are broadcast at "regular and periodic intervals" as described in paragraph [0062]. Finally, the claims recite that the broadcast values of the area-dependent short dialing codes are not displayed on the mobile node, as described in paragraph [0037]. No new matter has been added.

The applicant contends that none of the cited references show or suggest compliance with the 3GPP communications protocol, as the amended claims require. None of the cited references teach that the broadcast of short dialing codes, other indicia and mnemonics occurs at "regular and periodic intervals" as the amended claims require.

Finally, none of the cited references show or suggest that the area-dependent dialing codes are not displayed on the mobile device as the amended claims also require. To the contrary, FIG. 10 of Raith '457 shows the display of what appears to be an area-dependent short dialing code.

The applicant believes that the amendments to the independent claims traverse the rejections and place all of the claims in condition for allowance. If the Examiner contends otherwise, the applicant asks the Examiner to identify by column and line number where each and every one of newly-added limitations can be found in at least one of the cited references.

Reconsideration of the pending claims is respectfully requested.

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